FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 4039 – HB 4039

May 15, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (017654, 018297, 018647):

Amendment 017654 authorizes the Energy Efficient Schools Council to award grants for projects where the provider has warranted pre-determined energy use objectives and authorizes the technical advisory council to establish grant criteria for such projects. Adds one member to the Council who represents the interests of the industries that provide natural gas and oil heating to school buildings. Amendment 018647 adds two members to the technical advisory committee appointed by the Council who have backgrounds in LEED AP certification or backgrounds in Green Globes design and management. Amendment 018297 makes members of the Council subject to conflict of interest provisions and attaches the Energy Efficient Schools Council to the Department of Education for administrative purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$210,200 \$1,100/Each One-Day Meeting

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Increase State Expenditures - \$210,200 \$1,600/Each One-Day Meeting

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- According to the Department of Education (DOE), estimates made by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) for recurring administrative expenditures will be the same for the DOE.
- Energy Efficient Schools Council membership will increase from eight non-legislative members to nine. Technical advisory committee will increase from three to five non-Energy Efficient Schools Council members. Travel expenses for 14 non-legislative members will be paid at a rate of approximately \$1,584 per meeting (286 miles x \$0.46 per mile x 11 = \$1,584). Costs for an estimated four meetings per year will be \$6,336 (\$1,584 x 4 = \$6,336).
- Technical advisory committee members (except for ex-officio members) will not be members of the Energy Efficient Schools Council.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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